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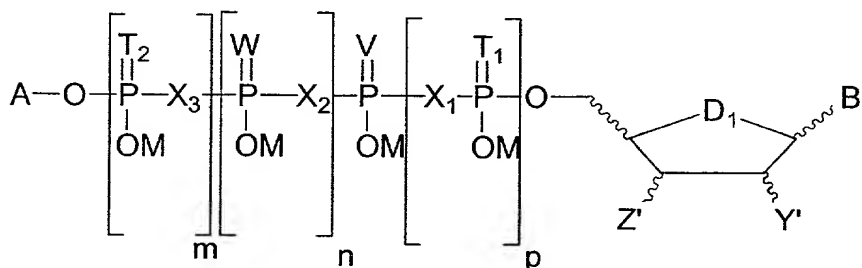
1. A method of preventing or treating diseases or conditions associated with platelet aggregation comprising:

5 administering to a subject a pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutic effective amount of P2Y₁₂ receptor antagonist compound, wherein said amount is effective to bind P2Y₁₂ receptors on platelets and inhibit ADP-induced platelet aggregation.

2. The method according to Claim 1, wherein said P2Y₁₂ receptor antagonist compound is a mononucleotide compound of Formula I:

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Formula I



wherein:

X₁, X₂, and X₃ are independently oxygen, methylene, monochloromethylene, dichloromethylene, monofluoromethylene, difluoromethylene, or imido;

T₁, T₂, W, and V are independently oxygen or sulfur;

m= 0, 1 or 2;

n= 0 or 1;

p= 0, 1, or 2 ;

where the sum of m+n+p is from 1 to 5;

M =H, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable inorganic or organic counterion;

A = M;

D₁ =O or C;

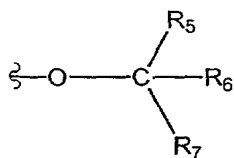
Y' =H, OH, or OR₁;

Z' =H, OH, or OR₂; with the proviso that at least one of Y' and Z' is OR₁ or OR₂;

R₁ and R₂ are residues which are linked directly to the 2' and /or 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a carbon atom according to Formula II, or linked directly to two of

the 2' and 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a common carbon atom according to Formula III,

Formula II



wherein:

O is the corresponding 2' and/or 3' oxygen of the furanose or carbocycle;

C is the carbon atom;

R₅, R₆, and R₇ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to Formula II is an ether; or

R₅ and R₆ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an acyclic acetal or ketal; or

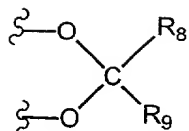
R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to Formula II is an ester or thioester; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is amino or mono- or disubstituted amino, where the substituents are alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety according to Formula II is a carbamate or thiocarbamate; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together to mean oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy, such that the moiety according to Formula II is a carbonate or thiocarbonate; or

R₇ is not present and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C and both the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose are directly bound to C to form a cyclical carbonate or thiocarbonate;

Formula III



wherein:

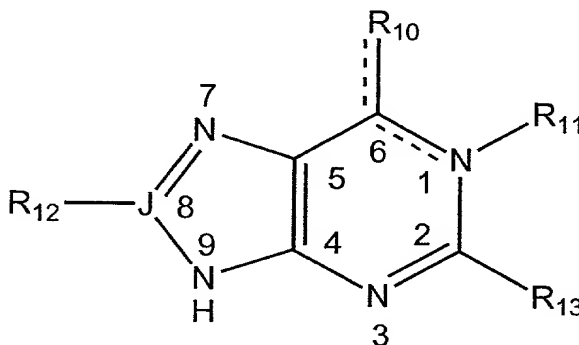
O is the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle; and the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle are linked by the common carbon atom (C) to form a cyclical acetal, cyclical ketal, or cyclical orthoester; and

for cyclical acetals and ketals, R₈ and R₉ are independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, substituted aryl, or may be joined together to form a homocyclic or heterocyclic ring composed of 3 to 8 atoms, or

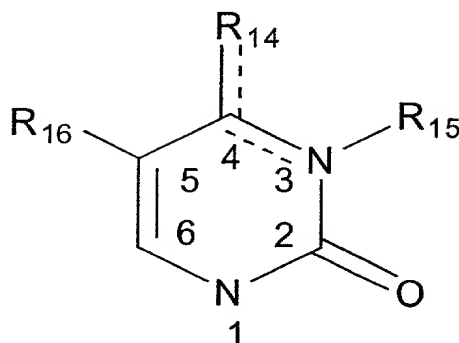
for cyclical orthoesters, R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, R₉ is alkyloxy, cycloalkyloxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy;

B' is a purine or a pyrimidine residue according to general Formulae IV and V which is linked to the 1' position of the furanose or carbocycle via the 9- or 1- position of the base, respectively;

Formula IV



Formula V



wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are hydroxy, oxo, amino, mercapto, alkylthio, alkyloxy, aryloxy, alkylamino, cycloalkylamino, aralkylamino, arylamino, diaralkylamino, diarylamino, or dialkylamino, where the alkyl groups are optionally linked to form a heterocycle; or

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are acylamino, provided that they incorporate an amino residue from the C-6 position of the purine or the C-4 position of the pyrimidine; or

when R₁₀ in a purine or R₁₄ in a pyrimidine has as its first atom nitrogen, R₁₀ and R₁₁ or R₁₄ and R₁₅ are taken together to form a 5-membered fused imidazole ring (etheno compounds), optionally substituted on the etheno ring with alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, or aryl moieties, as described for R₅-R₉ above;

J is carbon or nitrogen, with the provision that when nitrogen, R₁₂ is not present;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, O, or is absent;

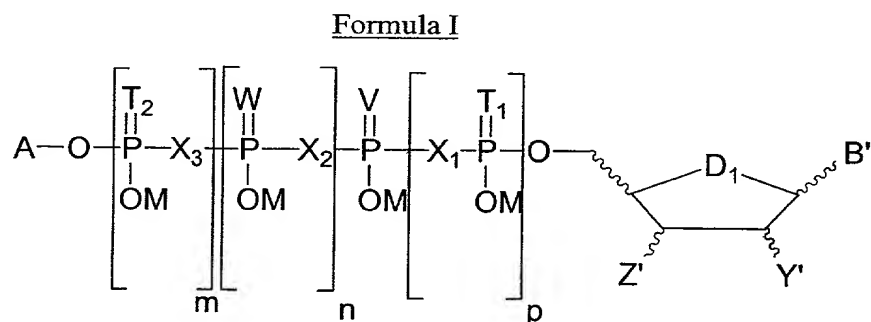
R₁₅ is hydrogen, or acyl;

R₁₂ is hydrogen, alkyl, azido, alkylamino, arylamino or aralkylamino, alkoxy, aryloxy or aralkyloxy, alkylthio, arylthio or aralkylthio, or ω-A(C₁₋₆alkyl)B-, wherein A and B are independently amino, mercapto, hydroxy or carboxyl;

R₁₃ is hydrogen, chlorine, amino, monosubstituted amino, disubstituted amino, alkylthio, arylthio, or aralkylthio, where the substituent on sulfur contains up to a maximum of 20 carbon atoms, with or without unsaturation; and

R₁₆ is hydrogen, methyl, alkyl, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, or substituted alkynyl.

3. The method according to Claim 1, wherein said P2Y₁₂ receptor antagonist compound is a dinucleotide compound of Formula I:



wherein:

X₁, X₂, and X₃ are independently oxygen, methylene, monochloromethylene, dichloromethylene, monofluoromethylene, difluoromethylene, or imido;

T₁, T₂, W, and V are independently oxygen or sulfur;

m= 0, 1 or 2;

n= 0 or 1;

p= 0, 1, or 2 ;

where the sum of m+n+p is from 1 to 5;

M =H or a pharmaceutically-acceptable inorganic or organic counterion;

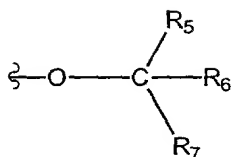
D₁ =O or C;

Y' =H, OH, or OR₁;

Z' =H, OH, or OR₂; with the proviso that at least one of Y' and Z' is OR₁ or OR₂;

R₁ and R₂ are residues which are linked directly to the 2' and /or 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a carbon atom according to Formula II, or linked directly to two of the 2' and 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a common carbon atom according to Formula III,

Formula II



wherein:

O is the corresponding 2' and/or 3' oxygen of the furanose or carbocycle;

C is the carbon atom;

R₅, R₆, and R₇ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to Formula II is an ether; or

R₅ and R₆ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an acyclic acetal or ketal; or

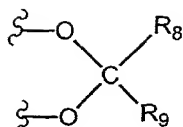
R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to Formula II is an ester or thioester; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is amino or mono- or disubstituted amino, where the substituents are alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety according to Formula II is a carbamate or thiocarbamate; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together to mean oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy, such that the moiety according to Formula II is a carbonate or thiocarbonate; or

R₇ is not present and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C and both the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose are directly bound to C to form a cyclical carbonate or thiocarbonate;

Formula III



wherein:

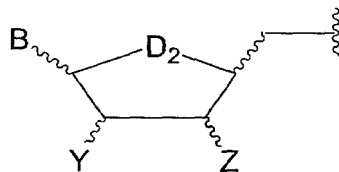
O is the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle; and the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle are linked by the common carbon atom (C) to form a cyclical

10 acetal, cyclical ketal, or cyclical orthoester; and

for cyclical acetals and ketals, R_8 and R_9 are independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, substituted aryl, or may be joined together to form a homocyclic or heterocyclic ring composed of 3 to 8 atoms, or

for cyclical orthoesters, R_8 is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, R_9 is alkyloxy, cycloalkyloxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy;

A is a nucleoside residue defined as:



and linked to the phosphate chain via the 5' position of the furanose or carbocycle;

wherein:

25 $D_2 = O$ or C;

$Z = H, OH, \text{ or } OR_3$;

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wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are hydroxy, oxo, amino, mercapto, alkylthio, alkyloxy, aryloxy, alkylamino, cycloalkylamino, aralkylamino, arylamino, diaralkylamino, diarylamino, or dialkylamino, where the alkyl groups are optionally linked to form a heterocycle; or

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are acylamino, provided that they incorporate an amino residue from the C-6 position of the purine or the C-4 position of the pyrimidine; or

When R₁₀ in a purine or R₁₄ in a pyrimidine has as its first atom nitrogen, R₁₀ and R₁₁ or R₁₄ and R₁₅ are taken together to form a 5-membered fused imidazole ring (etheno compounds), optionally substituted on the etheno ring with alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, or aryl moieties, as described for R₅-R₉ above;

J is carbon or nitrogen, with the provision that when nitrogen, R₁₂ is not present;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, O, or is absent;

R₁₅ is hydrogen, or acyl;

R₁₂ is hydrogen, alkyl, azido, alkylamino, arylamino or aralkylamino, alkoxy, aryloxy or aralkyloxy, alkylthio, arylthio or aralkylthio, or ω-A(C₁₋₆alkyl)B-, wherein A and B are independently amino, mercapto, hydroxy or carboxyl; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, chlorine, amino, monosubstituted amino, disubstituted amino, alkylthio, arylthio, or aralkylthio, where the substituent on sulfur contains up to a maximum of 20 carbon atoms, with or without unsaturation; and

R₁₆ is hydrogen, methyl, alkyl, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, or substituted alkynyl.

4. The method according to Claim 1, wherein said pharmaceutical composition reduces the incidence of dose-related adverse side effects of other therapeutic agents that are used to prevent, manage or treat platelet aggregation disorders.

5. The method according to Claim 1, wherein said diseases or conditions associated with platelet aggregation are disorders or procedures characterized by thrombosis, primary arterial thrombotic complications of atherosclerotic disease, thrombotic complications of interventions of atherosclerotic disease, thrombotic complications of surgical or mechanical damage, mechanically-induced platelet activation, shunt occlusion, thrombosis secondary to vascular damage and inflammation, indications with a diffuse thrombotic/platelet

consumption component, venous thrombosis, coronary arterial thrombosis, pathological effects of atherosclerosis and arteriosclerosis, platelet aggregation and clot formation in blood and blood products during storage, chronic or acute states of hyper-aggregability, reocclusion of an artery or vein following fibrinolytic therapy, platelet adhesion associated with

5 extracorporeal circulation , thrombotic complications associated with thrombolytic therapy, thrombotic complications associated with coronary and other angioplasty, or thrombotic complications associated with coronary artery bypass procedures.

6. The method according to Claim 5, wherein said disorders or procedures associated

10 with thrombosis are unstable angina, coronary angioplasty, and myocardial infarction; said primary arterial thrombotic complications of atherosclerosis are thrombotic stroke, peripheral vascular disease, and myocardial infarction without thrombolysis; said thrombotic complications of interventions of atherosclerotic disease are angioplasty, endarterectomy, stent placement, coronary and other vascular graft surgery; said thrombotic complications of

15 surgical or mechanical damage are tissue salvage following surgical or accidental trauma, reconstructive surgery including skin flaps, and “reductive” surgery such as breast reduction; said mechanically – induced platelet activation is caused by cardiopulmonary bypass resulting in microthromboembolism and storage of blood products; said shunt occlusion is renal dialysis and plasmapheresis; said thromboses secondary to vascular damage and inflammation

20 are vasculitis, arteritis, glomerulonephritis and organ graft rejection; said indications with a diffuse thrombotic/platelet consumption component are disseminated intravascular coagulation, thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura, hemolytic uremic syndrome, heparin-induced thrombocytopenia, and pre-eclampsia/eclampsia; said venous thrombosis are deep vein thrombosis, veno-occlusive disease, hematological conditions, and migraine; and said

25 coronary arterial thrombosis is associated with unstable angina, coronary angioplasty and acute myocardial infarction.

7. The method according to Claim 6, wherein said hematological conditions are thrombocythemia and polycythemia.

8. The method according to Claim 7, wherein said pathological effects of atherosclerosis and arteriosclerosis are arteriosclerosis, acute myocardial infarction, chronic stable angina,

unstable angina, transient ischemic attacks, and strokes, peripheral vascular disease, arterial thrombosis, preeclampsia, embolism, restenosis or abrupt closure following angioplasty, carotid endarterectomy, and anastomosis of vascular grafts; said chronic or acute states of hyper-aggregability is caused by DIC, septicemia, surgical or infectious shock, post-operative and post-partum trauma, cardiopulmonary bypass surgery, incompatible blood transfusion, abruptio placenta, thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura, snake venom and immune diseases; and said reocclusion of an artery or vein following fibrinolytic therapy is inhibited by internal administration of said compound with a fibrinolytic agent.

9. The method according to Claim 8, wherein said fibrinolytic agent is a natural or synthetic product which directly or indirectly causes lysis of a fibrin clot.

10. The method according to Claim 8, wherein said fibrinolytic agent is a plasminogen activator selected from the group consisting of anistreplase, urokinase, pro-urokinase, streptokinase, tissue plasminogen activator and mutants, or variants thereof, which retain plasminogen activator activity.

11. The method according to Claim 10, wherein said variants are selected from the group consisting of variants which have been chemically modified, variants which one or more amino acids have been added, deleted or substituted, and variants with one or more modified functional domains.

12. The method according to Claim 11, wherein said modified functional domains are added, deleted or altered by combining the active site of one plasminogen activator or fibrin binding domain of another plasminogen activator or fibrin binding molecule.

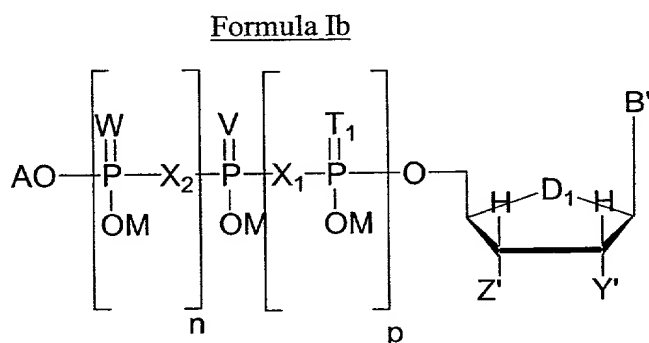
13. The method according to Claim 1, wherein said administering is systemic administration of said compound to a subject.

14. The method according to Claim 13, wherein said systemic administration is an administration selected from the group consisting of: injecting an injectable form of said compound; administering by mouth an oral form of said compound; applying to the skin a

transdermal patch or a transdermal pad containing said compound; administering a liquid/liquid suspension of said compound via nose drops or nasal spray; administering a nebulized liquid of said compound to oral or nasopharyngeal airways; administering rectally a suppository form of said compound; administering vaginally said compound in dosage unit formulations containing conventional non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, adjuvants and vehicles; administering said compound intravitreally; and administering via intra-operative instillation a gel, cream, powder, foam, crystals, liposomes, spray or liquid suspension form of said compound; such that a therapeutically effective amount of said compound contacts the target platelets of said patient via systemic absorption and circulation.

15. The method according to Claim 13, wherein said systemic administration comprises infusion of said compound to target platelets via a device selected from the group consisting of a pump catheter system and a continuous or selective release device.

16. A composition comprises compound of Formula Ib:



wherein:

$D_1 = O$ or CH_2 ;

n and $p = 0, 1$, or 2 such that the sum of $n+p$ is from 0 to 3 , preferably 1 to 2 ;

$A = M$; wherein $M = H^+, NH_4^+, Na^+$ or other pharmaceutically-acceptable inorganic or

organic counterion;

X_1 and X_2 are independently O, NH, CH_2 , CHF, CHCl, CF_2 , CCl_2 , provided that both X_1 and X_2 are not O when $n=1$, and X_1 is not O when $n=0$; and provided that X_2 is independently O, CH_2 , CHF, CHCl, CF_2 , CCl_2 when $Y' = H$;

T_1 , V, and W are independently O or S;

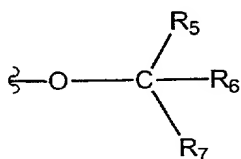
5 $Y' = H$, OH, or OR_1 ,

$Z' = H$, OH or OR_2 , where R_1 and R_2 fall under the definitions of general formulas II and III;

with the proviso that at least one of Y' and Z' is OR_1 or OR_2 , respectively;

10 R_1 and R_2 are residues which are linked directly to the 2' and /or 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a carbon atom according to formula II, or linked directly to two of the 2' and 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a common carbon atom according to formula III;

Formula II



15 wherein:

O is the corresponding 2' and/or 3' oxygen of the furanose or carbocycle;

C is the carbon atom;

20 R_5 , R_6 , and R_7 are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ether; or

R_5 and R_6 are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, and R_7 is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an acyclic acetal or ketal; or

25 R_5 and R_6 are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, and R_7 is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an acyclic acetal or ketal; or

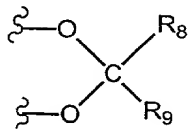
R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ester or thioester; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is amino or mono- or disubstituted amino, where the substituents are alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbamate or thiocarbamate; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together to mean oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbonate or thiocarbonate; or

R₇ is not present and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C and both the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose are directly bound to C to form a cyclical carbonate or thiocarbonate;

Formula III



wherein:

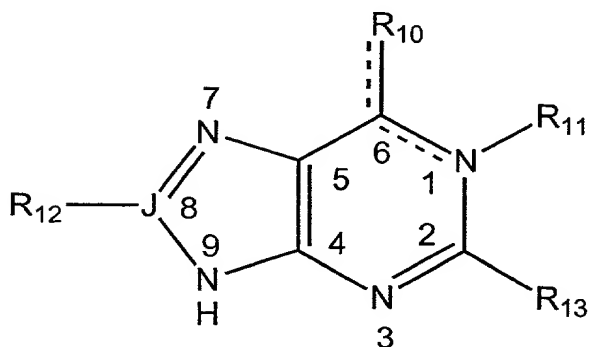
O is the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle; and the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle are linked by a common carbon atom (C) to form a cyclical acetal, cyclical ketal, or cyclical orthoester;

for cyclical acetals and ketals, R₈ and R₉ are independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, substituted aryl, or may be joined together to form a homocyclic or heterocyclic ring composed of 3 to 8 atoms,

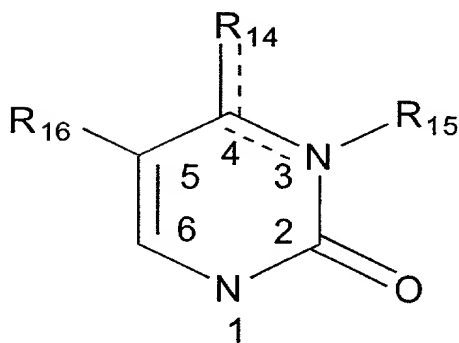
for cyclical orthoesters, R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, R₉ is alkyloxy, cycloalkyloxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy;

B' is either a purine residue, as in formula IV, linked through the 9- position, or a pyrimidine residue, as in formula V, linked through the 1- position:

Formula IV



Formula V



wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are hydroxy, oxo, amino, mercapto, alkylthio, alkyloxy, aryloxy, alkylamino, cycloalkylamino, aralkylamino, arylamino, diaralkylamino, diarylamino, or dialkylamino, where the alkyl groups are optionally linked to form a heterocycle; or

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are acylamino, provided that they incorporate an amino residue from the C-6 position of the purine or the C-4 position of the pyrimidine; or

When R₁₀ in a purine or R₁₄ in a pyrimidine has as its first atom nitrogen, R₁₀ and R₁₁ or R₁₄ and R₁₅ are taken together to form a 5-membered fused imidazole ring (etheno compounds), optionally substituted on the etheno ring with alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, or aryl moieties, as described for R₅-R₉ above;

J is carbon or nitrogen, with the provision that when nitrogen, R₁₂ is not present;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, O (adenine 1-oxide derivatives) or is absent (adenine derivatives);

R₁₅ is hydrogen, or acyl (e.g. acetyl, benzoyl, phenylacetyl, with or without

substituents); or

R₁₂ is hydrogen, alkyl, bromo, azido, alkylamino, arylamino or aralkylamino, alkoxy, aryloxy or aralkyloxy, alkylthio, arylthio or aralkylthio, or ω-A(C₁₋₆alkyl)B-, wherein A and B are independently amino, mercapto, hydroxy or carboxyl;

R₁₃ is hydrogen, chlorine, amino, monosubstituted amino, disubstituted amino, alkylthio, arylthio, or aralkylthio, where the substituent on sulfur contains up to a maximum of 20 carbon atoms, with or without unsaturation;

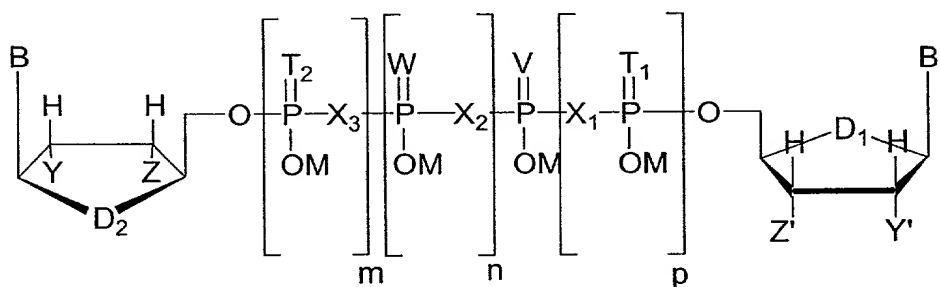
R₁₆ is hydrogen, methyl, alkyl, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, or substituted alkynyl;

provided that when R₁₀ = NH₂ or O, and when R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen doubly bonded to C, then R₇ is not equal to ortho-methylamino benzoyl;

further provided that when n=p=1, X₂=CH₂ and B'=adenosine, then R₁ and R₂ are not equal to naphthylmethyl, naphthylmethylene, or phenylmethylene.

17. A composition comprises compound of Formula Ia:

Formula Ia



wherein:

D₁ and D₂ are independently O or CH₂;

m and p= 0,1 or 2; n= 0 or 1; such that the sum of m+n+p is from 1 to 5;

X₁, X₂, and X₃= are independently O, NH, CH₂, CHF, CHCl, CF₂, CCl₂;

T₁, T₂, V, and W are independently O or S;

M= H⁺, NH₄⁺, Na⁺ or other pharmaceutically-acceptable inorganic or organic counter ion;

Y'= H, OH, or OR₁;

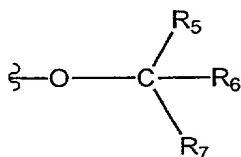
Z'= OH or OR₂;

Z= OH or OR₃;

Y= H, OH, or OR₄, where R₁, R₂, R₃ and R₄ falls under the definition of general formula II or III, provided that at least one of Y', Z', Z, and Y is OR₁, OR₂, OR₃, or OR₄;

R₁ and R₂ are residues which are linked directly to the 2' and /or 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a carbon atom according to formula II, or linked directly to two of the 2' and 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a common carbon atom according to formula III,

Formula II



wherein:

O is the corresponding 2' and/or 3' oxygen of the furanose or carbocycle;

C is the carbon atom;

R₅, R₆, and R₇ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ether; or

R₅ and R₆ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an acyclic acetal or ketal; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ester or thioester; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is amino or mono- or disubstituted amino, where the substituents are alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbamate or thiocarbamate; or

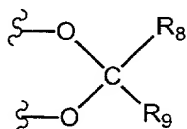
R₅ and R₆ are taken together to mean oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbonate or thiocarbonate; or

R₇ is not present and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C and both the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose are directly bound to C to form a cyclical carbonate or thiocarbonate;

provided that when m+n+p = 1, R₁₆ = CH₃, and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen doubly bonded to C, then R₇ is not equal to CH₃;

provided that when m+n+p = 3, B and B' = uridine and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen doubly bonded to C, then R₇ is not equal to phenyl for Y' = OR₁ and/or Y = OR₄;

Formula III



wherein:

O is the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle; and the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle are linked by a common carbon atom (C) to form a cyclical acetal, cyclical ketal, or cyclical orthoester;

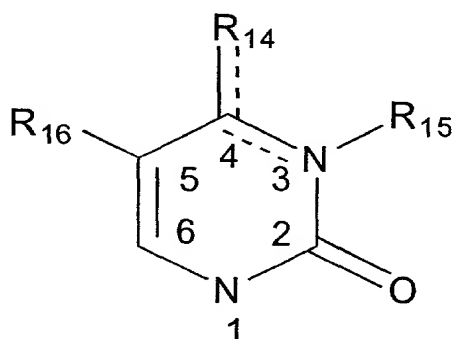
for cyclical acetals and ketals, R₈ and R₉ are independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, substituted aryl, or may be joined together to form a homocyclic or heterocyclic ring composed of 3 to 8 atoms,

for cyclical orthoesters, R_8 is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, R_9 is alkyloxy, cycloalkyloxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy;

B and B' are independently pyrimidine residues, as in formula V, linked through the

5 1- position:

Formula V



wherein:

15 R_{14} are hydroxy, oxo, amino, mercapto, alkylthio, alkyloxy, aryloxy, alkylamino, cycloalkylamino, aralkylamino, arylamino, diaralkylamino, diarylamino, or dialkylamino, where the alkyl groups are optionally linked to form a heterocycle; or

R_{14} are acylamino, provided that they incorporate an amino residue from the C-6 position of the purine or the C-4 position of the pyrimidine; or

20 when R_{14} in a pyrimidine has as its first atom nitrogen, R_{14} and R_{15} are taken together to form a 5-membered fused imidazole ring, optionally substituted on the etheno ring with alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, or aryl moieties, as described for R_5 - R_9 above;

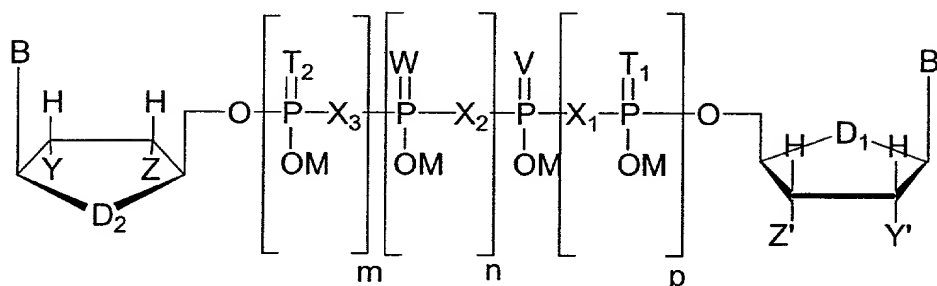
R_{15} is hydrogen, or acyl; or

25 R_{16} is hydrogen, methyl, alkyl, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, or substituted alkynyl;

provided that when $m+n+p = 1$, then both R_8 and R_9 are not CH_3 .

18. A composition comprises compound of Formula Ia:

Formula Ia



wherein:

D₁ and D₂ are independently either O or CH₂;

m and p = 0, 1 or 2; n = 0 or 1; such that the sum of m+n+p is from 1 to 5;

X₁, X₂, and X₃ are independently O, NH, CH₂, CHF, CHCl, CF₂, CCl₂;

T₁, T₂, V, and W are independently O or S;

M = H, NH₄⁺, Na⁺ or other pharmaceutically-acceptable inorganic or organic counterion;

Y' = H, OH, or OR₁;

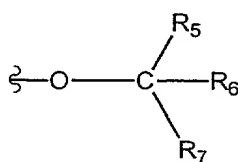
Z' = OH or OR₂;

Z = OH or OR₃;

Y = H, OH, or OR₄, where R₁, R₂, R₃ and R₄ falls under the definition of general formula II or III, provided that at least one of Y, Z', Z and Y' is OR₁, OR₂, OR₃, or OR₄;

R₁ and R₂ are residues which are linked directly to the 2' and /or 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a carbon atom according to formula II, or linked directly to two of the 2' and 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a common carbon atom according to formula III,

Formula II



wherein:

O is the corresponding 2' and/or 3' oxygen of the furanose or carbocycle;

C is the carbon atom;

5 R₅, R₆, and R₇ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ether; or

R₅ and R₆ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an acyclic acetal or ketal; or

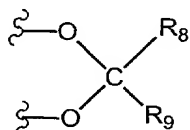
10 R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ester or thioester; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is amino or mono- or disubstituted amino, where the substituents are alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbamate or thiocarbamate; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together to mean oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbonate or thiocarbonate; or

20 R₇ is not present and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C and both the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose are directly bound to C to form a cyclical carbonate or thiocarbonate;

Formula III



wherein:

O is the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle; and the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle are linked by a common carbon atom (C) to form a cyclical acetal, cyclical ketal, or cyclical orthoester;

for cyclical acetals and ketals, R_8 and R_9 are independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, substituted aryl, or may be joined together to form a homocyclic or heterocyclic ring composed of 3 to 8 atoms,

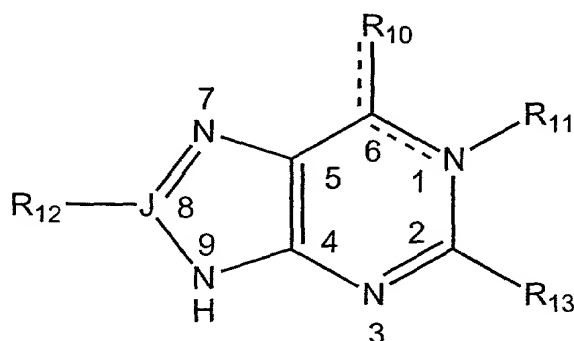
for cyclical orthoesters, R_8 is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, R_9 is alkyloxy, cycloalkyloxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy;

Preferred substituents on the foregoing groups may be, but are not limited to, hydroxy, nitro, methoxy, fluoro, chloro, bromo, iodo, methyl, ethyl, propyl, butyl, thioalkyl, alkoxy, carboxyl, cyano, amino, substituted amino, trifluoromethyl, phenyl, cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, and cyclohexyl; and preferred heteroatoms are oxygen, nitrogen, and sulfur;

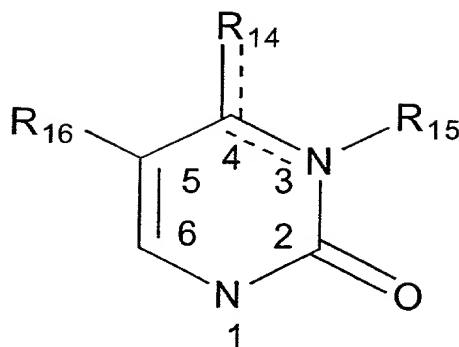
B is a purine residue, as in Formula IV, linked through the 9- position;

B^1 is a pyrimidine residue, as in Formula V, linked through the 1-position:

Formula IV



Formula V



5 wherein:

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are hydroxy, oxo, amino, mercapto, alkylthio, alkyloxy, aryloxy, alkylamino, cycloalkylamino, aralkylamino, arylamino, diaralkylamino, diarylamino, or dialkylamino, where the alkyl groups are optionally linked to form a heterocycle; or

R₁₀ and R₁₄ are acylamino, provided that they incorporate an amino residue from the C-6 position of the purine or the C-4 position of the pyrimidine; or

When R₁₀ in a purine or R₁₄ in a pyrimidine has as its first atom nitrogen, R₁₀ and R₁₁ or R₁₄ and R₁₅ are taken together to form a 5-membered fused imidazole ring, optionally substituted on the etheno ring with alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, or aryl moieties, as described for R₅-R₉ above;

J is carbon or nitrogen, with the provision that when nitrogen, R₁₂ is not present;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, O or is absent;

R₁₅ is hydrogen, or acyl; or

R₁₂ is hydrogen, alkyl, azido, alkylamino, arylamino or aralkylamino, alkoxy, aryloxy or aralkyloxy, alkylthio, arylthio or aralkylthio, or ω-A(C₁₋₆alkyl)B-, wherein A and B are independently amino, mercapto, hydroxy or carboxyl;

R₁₃ is hydrogen, chlorine, amino, monosubstituted amino, disubstituted amino, alkylthio, arylthio, or aralkylthio, where the substituent on sulfur contains up to a maximum of 20 carbon atoms, with or without unsaturation;

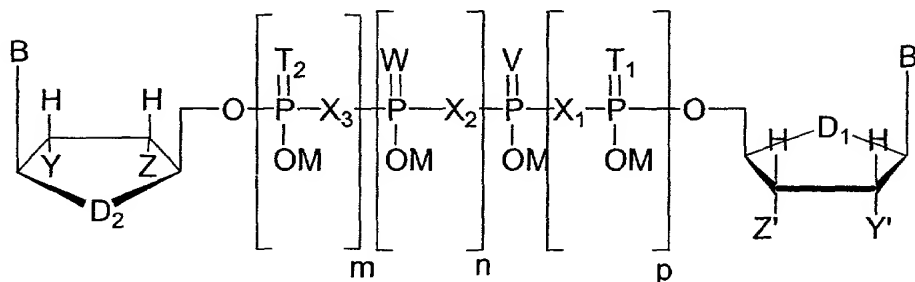
R₁₆ is hydrogen, methyl, alkyl, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkenyl, alkynyl, or substituted alkynyl;

provided that Y' is not equal to OCH₃ when Z', Y, or Y' = H or OH;

further provided that R_8 is not equal to OCH_2CH_3 when $R_9 = H$.

19. A composition comprises compound of Formula Ia:

Formula Ia



wherein:

D_1 and D_2 are independently O or CH_2 ;

m and $p = 0, 1$ or 2 ; $n = 0$ or 1 ; such that the sum of $m+n+p$ is from 1 to 5;

X_1 , X_2 , and X_3 are independently O, NH, CH_2 , CHF, CHCl, CF_2 , CCl_2 ;

T_1 , T_2 , V, and W are independently O or S;

$M = H^+$, NH_4^+ , Na^+ or other pharmaceutically-acceptable inorganic or organic counterion;

$Y' = H$, OH, or OR_1 ;

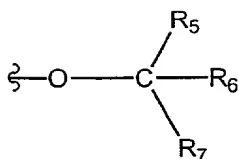
$Z' = OH$ or OR_2 ;

$Z = OH$ or OR_3 ;

$Y = H$, OH, or OR_4 , where R_1 , R_2 , R_3 and R_4 falls under the definition of general formula II or III, provided that at least one of Y, Z, Y' and Z' is OR_1 , OR_2 , OR_3 , or OR_4 ; provided that Y or Y' is not equal to OCH_3 when $R_{10} = NH_2$ or O;

R_1 and R_2 are residues which are linked directly to the 2' and/or 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a carbon atom according to formula II, or linked directly to two of the 2' and 3' hydroxyls of the furanose or carbocycle via a common carbon atom according to formula III,

Formula II



wherein:

O is the corresponding 2' and/or 3' oxygen of the furanose or carbocycle;

C is the carbon atom;

R₅, R₆, and R₇ are H, an alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ether; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety defined according to formula II is an ester or thioester; or

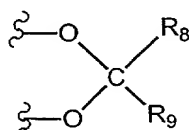
R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is amino or mono- or disubstituted amino, where the substituents are alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbamate or thiocarbamate; or

R₅ and R₆ are taken together to mean oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C, and R₇ is alkoxy, cycloalkoxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy, such that the moiety according to formula II is a carbonate or thiocarbonate; or

R₇ is not present and R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen or sulfur doubly bonded to C and both the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose are directly bound to C to form a cyclical carbonate or thiocarbonate;

provided that when m+n+p = 1, and when R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen doubly bonded to C, then R₇ is not equal to CH(CH₂CH₂SCH₃)NHS(o-NO₂-Ph) or CH(CH₂Ph)NHS(o-NO₂-Ph);

Formula III



wherein:

O is the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle; and the 2' and 3' oxygens of the furanose or carbocycle are linked by a common carbon atom (C) to form a cyclical acetal, cyclical ketal, or cyclical orthoester;

for cyclical acetals and ketals, R_8 and R_9 are independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, substituted aryl, or may be joined together to form a homocyclic or heterocyclic ring composed of 3 to 8 atoms,

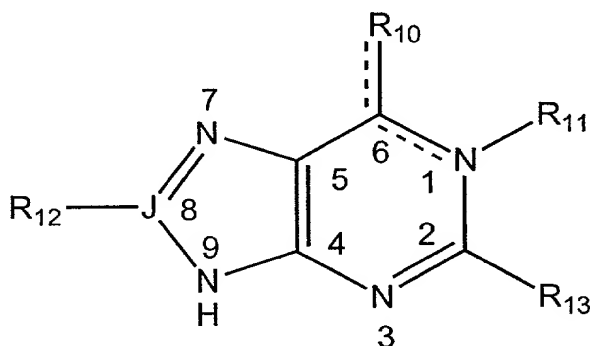
for cyclical orthoesters, R_8 is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, aryl, substituted aralkyl, or substituted aryl, R_9 is alkyloxy, cycloalkyloxy, aralkyloxy, aryloxy, substituted aralkyloxy, or substituted aryloxy;

provided that R_8 is not equal to OCH_3 or OCH_2CH_3 when $R_9 = H$; and provided that both R_8 and R_9 are not equal to CH_3 ;

further provided that when $m+n+p = 1$, then R_8 and R_9 does not equal OCH_2CH_3 ;

B and B' are independently a purine residue, as in formula IV, linked through the 9-position:

Formula IV



wherein:

R_{10} is hydroxy, oxo, amino, mercapto, alkylthio, alkyloxy, aryloxy, alkylamino, cycloalkylamino, aralkylamino, arylamino, diaralkylamino, diarylamino, or dialkylamino, where the alkyl groups are optionally linked to form a heterocycle; or

R₁₀ is acylamino, provided that they incorporate an amino residue from the C-6 position of the purine or the C-4 position of the pyrimidine; or

when R₁₀ in a purine has as its first atom nitrogen, R₁₀ and R₁₁ are taken together to form a 5-membered fused imidazole ring (etheno compounds), optionally substituted on the etheno ring with alkyl, cycloalkyl, aralkyl, or aryl moieties, as described for R₅-R₉ above;

J is carbon or nitrogen, with the provision that when nitrogen, R₁₂ is not present;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, O or is absent;

R₁₂ is hydrogen, alkyl, azido, alkylamino, arylamino or aralkylamino, alkoxy, aryloxy or aralkyloxy, alkylthio, arylthio or aralkylthio, or ω-A(C₁₋₆alkyl)B-, wherein A and B are independently amino, mercapto, hydroxy or carboxyl;

provided that when R₁₀ = NH₂, and when R₅ and R₆ are taken together as oxygen doubly bonded to C, then R₇ is not equal to ortho-methylaminobenzoyl.

20. A compound of 2' or 3' phenylcarbamate UTP, 2',3' di-phenylcarbamate UTP, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal ADP, di[3'(phenylcarbamate)dUp2dU], 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up3U, di 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up3U, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up4A, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Ap4U, di 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Ap4U, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Ip4U, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up4U, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Ip4U, 2'3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up4dC, tetraphenylcarbamate Up4U, di 2'3' benzaldehyde acetal Ip4U, di 2',3' benzaldehyde acetal Up4U, 2',3' benzaldehyde acetal Up4U, di 2',3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Cp4U, 2',3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Cp4U, 2',3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up4C, 2',3' phenylacetaldehyde acetal Up4T, di 2'3' benzaldehyde acetal Cp4U, 2',3' benzaldehyde acetal Ip4U, 2',3' benzaldehyde acetal Up4U, 2',3' benzaldehyde acetal Up4dC, 2'3' benzaldehyde acetal Cp4U, 2'3' benzaldehyde acetal Up4C, 2',3' phenylpropionaldehyde acetal Up4U, di 2',3' phenylpropionaldehyde acetal Up4U, 2',3' benzaldehyde acetal Cp4C, Bis MANT Up4U, Mant Up4U, Di 2'/3' benzylacetal Up4U, Mono 2'/3' benzylacetal Up4U, Triphenyl carbamate Up4U, 2'3' phenylcarbamate Up4U, or monophenylcarbarnate Up4U.

21. A compound of P¹-[2-(3-trifluoromethylpropyl)thio-6-(2-methylthio)ethylamino 2', 3'-(benzyl)methylene dioxy purine riboside]-P⁴-(2',3'-(benzyl)methylene dioxy uridine)

tetraphosphate, or 2-(3-trifluoromethylpropyl)thio-6-(2-methylthio) ethylamino-2',3'-(benzyl)methylenedioxy purine riboside 5'- α , β -difluoromethylene dipohosphate.